Medicinal value of honey

3156. SHRI VIJAY J. DARDA : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that honey collection destroys trees;

(b) if so, what is the universally accepted expert opinion regarding two sources of honey, i.e. wild beehives in the forest and commercially raised hives by beekeepers; and

(c) how far bee honey is useful and what is its medicinal value?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA) : (a) and (b) Honey collection through traditional methods of smoking does not destroy a tree.

(c) Honey has many medicinal uses.

Family welfare schemes in Rajasthan

†3157. DR. ABRAR AHMED : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the family welfare schemes of Government running in Rajasthan together with the amount provided for these schemes during the last three years;

(b) the action being taken by Government to eliminate TB, Cancer, AIDS and other such serious diseases together with the amount spent in the country and in Rajasthan during the last three years; and

(c) the number of patients suffering from above diseases in Rajasthan and other States in the country, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA) : (a) The details of family welfare schemes running in Rajasthan together with the amount provided for these schemes during 1999-2000, 2000-2001 and 2001-2002 are given in the Statement enclosed (*See* below).

(b) and (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

Statement

Schemes-wise amount released to Rajasthan for the period 1999-2000 to 2001-2002

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sl. No.	Name of the Scheme	Amount released during last three years			
		1999-2000	2000-2001	2001-2002	Total
1.	Infrastructure maintenance	13329.42	13436.61	11861.76	38627.79
2.	Compensation for Sterilisation/IUD insertions	563.32	512.64	493.50	1569.46
3.	Supply of contraceptives	3238.37	4039.05	3624.75	10902.17
4.	Reproductive and Child Health (RCH) Programme	1610.08	2313.58	2960.59	6884.25
5.	Area Development Programmes	500.00	3000.00	2700.00	6200.00
6.	Information, Education & Communication	156.10	162.70	100.56	419.36
7.	National Maternity Benefit Scheme	—	—	95.86	95.86
8.	Empowered Action Group	—	—	294.50	294.50
	GRAND TOTAL	19397.29	23464.58	22131.52	64993.39

Medical graduates/Post-Graduates

3158. SHRI SWARAJ KAUSHAL : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of medical graduates/post-graduates passed out from medical colleges/institutes in the country during the last three years;

(b) the average expense incurred on educating a medical graduate and a post-graduate;

(c) how many of these doctors leave the country each year and the net loss caused to the country on that account; and

(d) the steps Government have taken to stop the intellectual exodus ?